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REMARKS

Claims 1-10, 14 and 15 are pending in this application. In the Advisory Action, it was noted that the amendments made in applicants' response to the Final Rejection dated August 23, 2004 filed on October 12, 2004 were entered but that said amendments did not place the application in condition for allowance because the claims would be rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, for allegedly being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicants regard as the invention. Similar to the Final Rejection, the Advisory Action contends that it is uncertain what is intended by the term "stable" in the claims. While applicants do not agree with this contention, in an order to expedite prosecution of this application, applicants have amended claim 1 in the manner suggested in the Final Rejection dated August 23, 2004 to indicate what is intended by the term "stable".

In view of the foregoing, applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. Therefore, a Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR §§1.16 and 1.17 that may be required in filing this paper to Deposit Account No. 19-3880.

If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference with the undersigned would facilitate prosecution of this patent application, the Examiner's call would be welcomed.

Respectfully submitted,

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